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REPLY AND AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Dear Sir:

This Reply and Amendment is in response to the non-final Office Action dated April 4, 2003 (Paper No. 27), for which a response is due on July 4, 2003. Since July 4th is a holiday in the District of Columbia and July 5th and 6th are Saturday and Sunday respectively, this Reply is due on July 7, 2003 and this response is being filed on or before its due date. Applicants have given careful consideration to the issues raised in the outstanding Office Action, and present the following Amendments and Remarks in response.